# **Big Bend National Park**

## Daily Report - Saturday, January 07, 2017



#### **Weather Forecast:**

Today...... Sunny with winds from the northeast around 10 mph. Mountain highs low 40s, river highs

upper 40s.

Tonight...... Mostly clear with light and variable winds. Overnight lows mid 20s.

Tomorrow ...... Sunny with winds from the west/southwest around 10 mph. Mountain highs upper 50s, river

highs mid 60s. Overnight lows around 40.

Extended...... Mon-Fri: Sunny. Highs: low 60s – mid 80s Lows: mid 40s – upper 40s

Sunset tonight: 8:10 p.m. ...... Sunrise tomorrow: 7:48 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Low Panther Junction/Foothills: Low

### **Temperatures and Precipitation**

•	Temp	eratures	– Last 24	hours	Precipitation		
	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	3750'	36	18	18	0.00	0.02	0.02
Chisos Basin	5400'	63	20	22	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rio Grande Village	1850'	46	25	25	0.00	0.00	0.00
Castolon	2170'	56	26	26	0.00	0.00	0.00
Persimmon Gap	2970'	40	21	22	0.00	0.01	0.01
Lajitas	2340'	54	26	26	0.00	0.00	0.00

River Levels			
	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.90 ft / 586 cfs	5.88 ft / 579 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.14 ft / 489 cfs	4.18 ft / 504 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.81 ft / 512 cfs	5.85 ft / 533 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.84 ft / 581 cfs	3.87 ft / 598 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	6.01 ft / 890 cfs	6.03 ft / 904 cfs

#### **Current Park Conditions:**

Several overnight backpacking campsites are closed in Boot Canyon, Colima, Toll Mountain, Juniper Canyon # 1 and Southwest Rim # 2 due to bear activity. The Chisos Mountains are home to a healthy Mexican Black Bear population, and fall rains resulted in abundant pine nut and oak nut production. Bears feed heavily during the fall in order to prepare for their winter denning period and these closures will give them the space and time they need to feed and will help keep our bears healthy and wild. Thank you for your cooperation and support!